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SUBJECT: INFORMATION FROM CAMBODIAN REFUGEES

1. PRESS COVERAGE INCREASING HERE ON INTERNAL CONDITIONS WITHIN CAMBODIA AS DESCRIBED BY REFUGEES WHO HAVE FLED INTO THAILAND. MOST RECENT EXAMPLE IS LENGTHY NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE JULY 15 BY HENRY KAMM BASED ON NUMEROUS INTERVIEWS WITH SUCH REFUGEES IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS AND DESCRIBING THEIR EYEWITNESS ACCOUNTS OF EVENTS IN CAMBODIA SINCE COMMUNIST TAKE-OVER.

2. APPRECIATE BANGKOK'S 13873 SUMMARIZING BANGKOK POST ARTICLES ON SAME SUBJECT. WOULD APPRECIATE CONTINUING TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS OF THIS NATURE AND FORWARDING OF FULL TEXTS BY POUCH TO EA/LC. HOWEVER, DEPARTMENT NEEDS REPORTING DIRECTLY OBTAINED FROM REFUGEES, THAI AUTHORITIES, POLICE, JOURNALISTS AND OTHER AVAILABLE SOURCES WHICH EMBASSY CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE WITH FIRST OR SECOND HAND
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KNOWLEDGE OF CONDITIONS IN CAMBODIA.

3. AS YOUR INDOCHINA WATCHING CAPABILITY GETS INTO FULL SWING, WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO HAVE EMBASSY ANALYSES AND COMMENTS.

4. FOR HONG KONG: WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION LAHIGUERA CAN DEVELOP ALONG ABOVE LINES. KISSINGER

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